

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMUNICATIONS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3359
ANSWERED ON:14.08.2000
TENDER FLOATED BY DOT
RAMJI MANJHI

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether inordinate delay has taken place in the past in the finalisation of tenders resulting into wasteful expenditure of crores of rupees to the State;
- (b) if so, the number of tenders floated by DoT between 1994 to date and when those were finalised giving the period of delay and the loss sustained by the State;
- (c) whether the CAG has made any observations on this in their reports;
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken by the Government thereon; and
- (e) the number of the CAG reports in this behalf are still pending alongwith the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI TAPAN SIKDAR)

(a) Yes, Sir. Only in two cases for procurement of N.T. Switches and DTAX(NT).

(b)

(i) The year-wise number of tenders floated by DOT is as per Annexure.

(ii) There are only 2 cases of New Technology (NT) tender where delay in finalisation of tender took place in the year 1997. As per C & AG Report there is a total loss of Rs. 75.57 crores in both the cases.

(c) & (d): Yes, Sir. The details are given below.

(i) C & AG Para No. 18 (No.6/2000), a loss stressed by Audit = 63.92 crores.

(ii) C & AG Para No. 20 (No.6/2000), loss stressed by Audit = 11.65 crores.

The procedure has been streamlined for procurement of equipment from the year 1999-2000 onwards.

(e) Nil.